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State Highlights

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The decoration committee for the Christmas Formal at work in Bev Swoaps' recreation room. They are, from left to right; Janet Hughes, Gail Hubbell, Judy Scott, Beverly Swoap, Beverly Griggs, Carol Hartman, and Chairman of the formal committee, Nancy Strome.

Yearbook Status Quo

Kate Randall, business manager for the Highlander staff, announces that over \$900.00 is now in the yearbook treasury. Dot Cartland and Addie Ann Tolhurst, feature editors, are now working on individual continuity for the senior pictures. Maynard Neighbor, sports editor, has completed the 1951 football summary.

Faculty Invites S. Claus

Monday, December 17, Santa Claus will pay a visit to the High School office at 3:30 to assist Dr. Bryan, Miss Crisman, Mrs. Jarman, and Mr. Stauffer in entertaining the faculty at their annual Christmas party.

In addition to the high school faculty, the training school faculty will attend. There will be a gift exchange and some light refreshments.

'Merry Christmas To All'

"The Night Before Christmas" came to life Saturday, December 15 in the Women's Gym from 8:30 to 11:30.

The dance was a "come as you want," and not a date affair. Ann Frey was general chairman, and serving under her were Carol Hartman - chaperones, Jon Sebal - tickets, Sally Reeves - refreshments, Janet Hughes - publicity, and Gail Hubbell - music.

Locker Clean-up

George Hager and the citizenship committee were in charge of the locker clean-up held yesterday. Results will be posted.

Other plans of the citizenship committee are the Christmas tree for the hall and Christmas records to be played between classes.

'The Play's the Thing'

The next Civic Player's production is entitled, "The Play's the Thing." It is a take off on actors and actresses, playwrights, and composers and is presented in a rather unique way that should be interesting to watch.

"The Play's The Thing" opens on Jan. 3, and will be presented on the 4th, 5th, and 8th through the 12th.

Library Turns Parisian

A Christmas Party was held last Wednesday, the 12th, at 3 o'clock in the library. All the members of the Library Council participated in planning, financing, and enjoying it. The theme of the party was French, with decorations, refreshments, and entertainment organized to resemble a Christmas Party in France.

Ann Doyle was in charge and Annette Douglas and Nancy Woodworth baked the traditional French

Plans Produce 'Northern Fantasy'

"Northern Fantasy" has been chosen as the theme for the annual Christmas Formal, which is scheduled for Thursday, December 20, in Walwood Ballroom.

The Social Committee has been working for many weeks to polish the final plans for the dance. The decorations this year are to be particularly extensive. According to Bev Swoap and Judy Scott, decorations co-chairmen, they will extend from the door in Walwood all the way to the Ballroom. Sally Reeves, who is in charge of Favors, says that the decorations theme will be carried over into that department. Joan Stiles plans to have the programs follow the same general idea, too.

Carolyn Fox is entrusted with the job of inviting all the chaperons. The posters and newspaper notices are under the guiding hand of Lilla Eliet. Kate Randall is taking care of the refreshment details. One of the least rewarding but most important jobs of the whole affair has been given to Eva Aube. She will be "Boss-Lady" of the Clean-up committee.

As a special feature of this dance, some intermission entertainment is being considered. Gail Hubbell is taking care of the particulars.

No dance would be complete without the music and Ken Storey has engaged Bobby Davidson's orchestra to play for the dancers.

Miriam Liemer has announced that the tickets for the gala night will soon be on sale in the halls.

Talent Hunt Progressing

Janet Snow, Assembly Committee Chairman, is looking for talent to be used in the Cub Assembly. The performance will be given to the students on February 19.

The Assembly Committee is being divided into groups to work on this program. They will set a date for try-outs soon.

Janet says there is a possibility that the show will be given at night. Also, if the other schools are willing, our Cub assembly will be sent in exchange for a show from Portage and Dowagiac.

Christmas cake.

The Library Council is an organization of 28 students, grades 7 through 12 who assist the librarian, Miss Lowrie. Next semester, Miss Lowrie hopes to organize a relation club consisting of the present members and anyone else who is interested in Library work.

Honor Students

A new honor roll system has been inaugurated this year. The scholastic honors are being divided into three divisions. ALPHA division earners are those students who have four A's. BETA's must have three A's, and two A's are required of those in the GAMMA group. None of these groupings may have any mark lower than a B.

Following is a list of the high students for the last marking period.

ALPHA: Clare Gemrich, Suzanne Gilbert, Frank Goodrich, Bill Govier, Peter Platt, and Janet Snow.

BETA: Polly Allen, Harper Atherton, Rosemary Buckham, Dorothy Cartland, Darlene Chapin, Julie Davis, John Gibson, Jerry Harwood, Sandra Hicks, Vern Hoffman, Alan Howard, Janet LaPlante, Kay Loughhead, Nancy Magas, Kathryn Randall, Joan Stimson, and Bev Swoap.

GAMMA: Sue Anderson, Joan Biljum, Carolyn Cassady, Ruth DeHaan, Lilla Eliet, Donna Endsley, Penny Farr, Mary Kuizenga, Stephanie Malone, Cathy Myers, Donald Neal, David Schreiber, Shirely Smith, Sandra Spann, Nancie Strome, David Swoap, and Alfred Wise.

Honorable mention went to the students who got the required number of A's but one or more of them in a half-credit subject. These people were: Phil Brums, Diane Doubleday, Carolyn Fox, Sally Reeves, Arbur Shook, and Nancy Watterworth.

The honor roll will be published every marking period during the year.

Jr. High Stages Social Events

An attempt to consolidate the Junior High School feeling between the two seventh and eighth grades is being made by the four seventh and eighth grade teachers, Miss Grace Gish, Mr. Arden Detert, Miss Cora Ebert, and Mr. Frank Jerse, according to Mr. Jerse. It is hoped that the seventh grade will be brought to the administration building, when it is remodeled next year.

More parties between the two groups have been planned as the first means of combining the two grades into a Junior School organization. On Friday, November 30, a dance was held in the Rotunda of the Training School. Libby Davis, Jean Pullon were on the planning committee. "It was the best party that I've seen in the three years that I've been here," said Mr. Jerse.

The two grades hope to have more dances, charging only a small admission fee. Refreshments would be sold. This type of "Canteen" could involve less work and planning, where previously, it took two weeks. With the canteen profits, the Jr. High hopes to build up a collection of their own records.

'Happy Christmas'

The annual Christmas play, which this year was "Happy Christmas," was given yesterday at 11:00 in the Little Theatre. The plot revolved around the situation of the arrival of a homeless Latvian couple on the day before Christmas. The cast was as follows:

Mrs. Lawrence Kathryn Wood
Mr. Lawrence John Plantafaber
Marigold Larece, their daughter

Elizabeth Fox
Bob Lawrence, their son Jack Holly
Roberts, the houseboy John Weber
Mrs. Metz, a D.P. Janet LaPlant
Mr. Metz, a D. P. John Gibson
Mrs. Marvel, the house keeper

Sandy Peterson
Nurse Barbara Rock
Stephens, the chauffeur George Reeves
Annie, the maid Sally Schrier

The play was under the direction of Miss Cleveland.

Coming Up

December 19th—Office Christmas party

December 20th—Christmas formal

December 21st—School Closes

December 22nd—Home game with South Haven

January 4th—Game with Dowagiac bus

January 7th—School re-opens

January 8th—Assembly at 8:00

January 9th—Administrative Assembly-12:30

January 11th—St. Joe—here—Pep assembly

January 12th—Dance

January 15th—There Rivers Game there

January 19th—Buchanan—here

January 22nd—Allegan here—Assembly 9:00

January 23rd—Administrative Assembly 12:30

January 25th—Niles here—Pep Assembly



Aumnus Wins Top Honor for Party

In 1949, Dorothy Jabcon, a former State High student, had her poem, "Stellae Nivis," published in the High School Anthology. She was graduated from State High last June and at present is continuing her education at Wayne University. This year Dorothy wrote a new poem, "Love," which will be published in the College Anthology.

While Dorothy was here at State High, she was a member of the Highlights and Highlander. Aside from her writing interests she would like to be a nurse after graduating from college.

"LOVE"

A martyrs charm, this golden leaf—
Whose stem burns deep and candles
one bouquet;

Long to last—one flicker cast

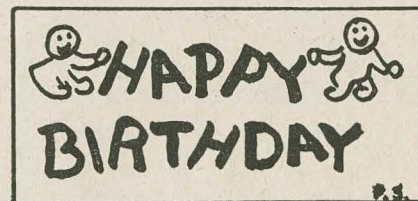
Silhouettes pass—

Then tears that drip and mold;

As thorn of rose; glazed fern of
field—

No age betrays or fades away

An amber petal of yesterday.



December 20—Bob Graff

December 21—Phil Bruns

Janice Babcock

December 23—Judy Stofer

Bruce Dillon

December 24—Norm Harvey

December 25—Bill Van Laar

December 26—Marilyn Buder

Carolyn Buder

December 31—Louie Johnson

Sue Buck

January 2—Judie Lyon

January 3—Bill Hoyt

January 5—Nancy Watterworth

January 12—Jim Stout

January 14—Ed Sutton

January 17—John Gibson

January 18—Al Hackman

January 19—Connie Kuizenga

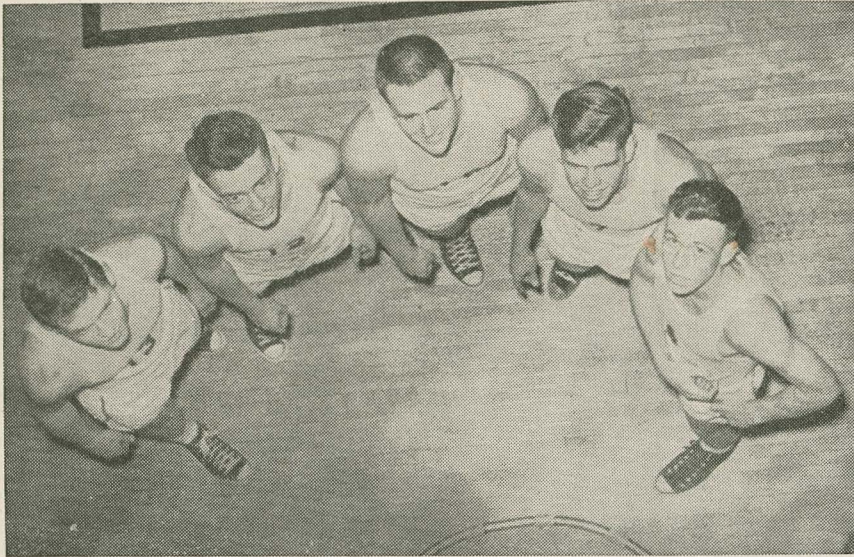
Joanne Daugherty

January 21—Nancy Woodworth

January 23—Bob Mindeman

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The starting five of the 1951-52 Basketball team. Reading from left to right they are: Don Gill, Ed Sutton, John Keyser, Bob Anson, and Maynard Neibor.

Junior High Forms Team

A Junior High, School basketball team has been formed as a means of helping to combine the two grades into a Junior High. The first game was played with Linclon Junior High School on December 5. State Jr. High won 28 to 27. Peter Parker, Bob Beisel, Bob Miles, Larry Littig, Chuck Warfield, Joel Shepherd, Ted Garneau, and Don Perigo, the high scorer with 12 points, are the eight regulars from the eighth grade. A schedule is being planned for the seventh grade. Probably both teams will be represented in the City League.

Cheerleaders have been chosen in each grade to support the team. Karen Wilkens, Penny Lyons, Alice Mabie, and Kay Clarke represent the seventh grade. Julie Den Blyker, Frances Miller, Mary Joy Sawyer, Jean Yerden, and Elaine Stimpson are the "pep-er-upers" for the eighth grade.

Letters Given To Players

As the football season comes to a close, so comes the presentation of the letters to the boys who have gone out and made the team. The boys who got these letters are George Hager, captain, Dick Defreese, Stan Vine, Don Gill, Ken Fricke, Maynard Nieboer, Ted Emerson, Jerry Harwood, Bob Harback, Jim Hawkins, Gerald Hawkins, John Keyser, Henry George, Tom Kreilick, Al Hackman, Ken Cobb, and Charles Overjick. Dave Eaton was the team manager this year.

Reserve Squad Recieves Credit

Most of the news you've heard about State High's basketball squads, the Varsity and the Reserves, has been about the Varsity squad. The Reserve squad, who have not gotten as much publicity as the Varsity, are not as well known as the Varsity. The names of those who have gone out for reserve basketball are Tom Kreilick, Alfred Wise, who, by the way is the only freshman who has gone out for it, Gordon Berkhausen, Brooks Godfrey, John Warfield, Ron Kilgore, Pat Ryan, John Sebaly, and Matt Peelen. The first five mentioned are the starting five, and they play in the preliminaries of all the Varsity games.

Volleyball Tournament

The annual girl's volleyball tournament with Paw Paw, Richland, and Portage was held Saturday morning, December 15, from 9:00 to 12:00 in the Women's Gym. Teams were made up according to classes, with Marilyn Kuiper captain of the senior team. Pat Perigo captain of the juniors, Marilyn Greenlee for the sophomores, and Shirley Van Valkenburg for the Freshmen.

The teams played three games a piece in a round robin with no eliminations, winners being determined by the games won and lost. Good sportsmanship and friendliness between schools were stressed as well as good volleyball.

The girl's swimming club, the Finettes, sold homemade sandwiches and cokes at the tournament. Proceeds from the sale will be used to present a water ballet this spring.

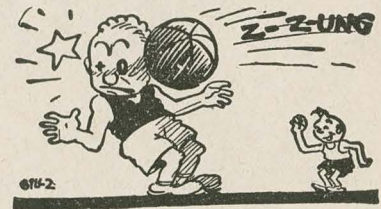
Former Stars Play College Ball

The Basketball teams of the past four years have produced around five players who are playing or have played college basketball.

From the 1948 team, Dick Cain is the only player who is now participating in college basketball. He is now playing at Kalamzoo College and is on the varsity.

Jim Orwin won his frosh numeral in basketball competition at Western last year. Phil Fast is another representative, along with Jim, of the '49 Cub basketball team. He has been playing at Dartmouth.

The roster of the 1950 team boosts two more players that can be added to the list Jerry Knowlton and John R. Smith. Jerry has been playing basketball for two years at Oberlin college and won his frosh numerals there last year. John, who is attending Western, also won his freshman basketball numerals there last year. He has participated in football for the past two years, too.



Cagers to Play Six Games

First on our list of up-coming basketball opponents in the latter part of December and the first part of January is Allegan of the Tri-County League, whom we play there, December 18.

The next game on our schedule, over Christmas vacation, is with South Haven here on December 22. Let's all be there for the second second conference tilt of the season.

After Christmas and New Years, the first game is on January 4, with Dowagiac, there. There won't be a bus, but try to get there anyway to see the Cubs in action for the first time in '52.

There will be a pep assembly at the usual time, 12:30 - 12:50, before the game with St. Joe, here on January 11.

Tuesday, January 15, there is a game with Three Rivers at Three Rivers with a bus scheduled to go. This time why don't we make sure the bus goes instead of having it meet the same fate as two we scheduled for the past two games.

We meet Buchanan in a conference game January 18, here for the first time this season, so why not be there and at all the games?

Holiday Happenings

"Northern Fantasies" (our Christmas formal) should be a big success—or at least a crowded place.

The underclassmen aren't as shy as in bygone years. Bill Andrus and Carol Hartman, Don Moss and Annette Douglas, Bob Mabie and Carol Rice, Pat Squires and Millicent Hafer, Brooks Godfrey and Judy Bree are a few couples planning to come.

The junior class will be there in full force too. Ann Frey and Bruce Brown, Pat Sprouse and Ken Fricke, Char Pellowe and Tom Kreilick, Joan Biljum and Jim Boylan, Sandy Peterson and John Gibson, Hap Atherton and Glenna Beal, Nannette Slavin Joe Vollmer, and many more.

Of course we couldn't forget the senior girls and boys. The boys were sorta confidential as to their dates (probably want us to be surprised) but the girls divulged the info we asked for. George Reeves and Kate Randall, Louis Johnson and Ena Marie Rush will be there. Also the upperclassmen girls with their college guys — Carolyn Fox and Bob Diment, Jackie Andrus and Dick Shore, Suzie Gilbert and Paul Hubbell, Sue Snyder and Jim Dolahan, to name just a few of the many kids planning to make the 20th a BIG night — well almost, school Friday you know!

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Clue of the week: A sensible girl is more sensible than she looks, because a sensible girl has more sense than to look sensible!

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We hear that poor Jerry Hawkins is being pursued by certain freshman girl—He doesn't seem to mind tho.

Pat Perigo has a new "buddee" at Central. Could his name be Dave, Pat?

Rumor has it that Phil Bruns is involved in the (possible) "divorce" proceedings of Pete Shook and Bill Hoyt. We didn't know you were interested in law, Phil!

Bobbie Gleason has a newly acquired interest in the comics—Jiggs especially?

Fresh off the fire is the news of Ena Marie's "ex", John Miller, and his interest in Janet La Plante. No comment (printable, that is, from those involved).

The inevitable has happened! Sue Anderson and Johnny Keyser are going steady.

We hear Carole has been fairly busy on Sunday afternoons lately. You had better buy a stop watch, Carole.

If you want to find out about the female situation in other cities, listen to "Dutch" Defreese talk about his summers at church camp.

Pat, Patt, Mary and Fritz would like to know if four people would be interested in the jobs of bodyguards so they won't get their cheer-leading uniforms dirty.

Vacation Plans Revealed by Busy Students

Everybody will be putting up the Christmas tree, chugging the old turkey into the already overstuffed tummy, unwrapping the gaily-tied gifts on the 25th, then, BOOM! It's all over! What's next?

Joan Biljum is heading for Florida. Catherine Wood says, "I may go dear hunting." Yep, our three weeks of holiday vacation are almost here.

Ann Mahoney and Sue Anderson are entertaining at the Country Club, and Claire Gemrich, Sally Reeves, and Kate Randall are having a tea.

Dick Hawkins and Pat Coffield will be home to see Lilla Eliet and Judy Bills. Dick Wilsey is going to visit his aunt in Detroit. "Boy, she's a lot of fun," says Dick.

Guess Who?

This fellow, I'm sure, is known to all—

His work on surprises starts in the fall;

But when the calendar shows the 25th of December,

Each State-High'er he is sure to remember.

Every room and corner is filled with suspense,

And just before Christmas, the air becomes tense.

You patiently wait for the visit of this fellow

And hope and pray he brings something mellow.

You have to know this good fellow for many a year.

But realize his kindness when Christmas comes near.

Now you can guess who he is—known to each gal and lad,

He's the teen-agers Santa, your good ol' Dad!

Suggestions From Santa

Are you confronted with that annual question of "What shall I get her (or him) for Christmas?" Well, there's still time to get that last minute shopping done, so here are a few suggestions.

For that best girl, a guy can get a piece of jewelry (not too expensive) to wear to the Christmas Formal. A rhinestone choker or maybe a string of pearls is always nice and is accepted as proper.

Have you ever noticed her billfold? If she's like most high school girls, she would certainly appreciate a new one. A head scarf is one of those things that a girl always needs. An addition to her record collection will offer a memory of you every time she plays it. So you're one of those guys that go steady! Well, an

Xmas Spirit Defined

At the present time, the junior treasury has a balance of \$211. The juniors are trying to raise money from class dues which they hope to have collected at the end of this week. Then there will be approximately \$300 in the treasury.

"I guess the Christmas spirit hasn't hit me yet." "Boy, but it's hard to get in the spirit of Christmas with this springy weather." "I just can't finish my shopping 'till I get the right spirit."

Yes, those quotations do sound familiar. They should, they are heard often enough. We talk about the Christmas spirit as glibly as we talk about the weather or the newest fashions. Yet, can we define this thing we are so matter-of-factly discussing? No, we cannot, because it is not a tangible thing, it is a spirit, a feeling in our hearts.

The feeling of Christmas is a wonderful feeling. True, everyone does not receive the same starry-eyed sensation when they first hear the bells chime "Silent Night." Probably not all get tense and excited on Christmas eve when they behold the tree laden with gifts, shimmering in all its glory. But everybody must get some sort of a different spirit around the Yuletide season, everyone, that is, except a Scrooge, and even they find it if they try.

What is this Christmas spirit? It is not only the jolly, happy, joyful feeling that comes with the Christmas snow and "Jingle Bells." Nor is it entirely the deep and humble feeling present at the midnight service on Christmas eve; that feeling which people get when they realize that for almost two thousand years ordinary folk have gathered together on that day of days to thank God for his most precious gift to the world.

Is this not, the true spirit of Christmas, the spirit of giving? We have truly attained our highest achievement when we can give to someone a part of ourselves and honestly not wish for something in return. God gave his Son, we must give a part of ourselves, too. This is the Christmas spirit. How really wonderful the world would be if we could keep it with us all the days of the year.

I. D. bracelet with you name engraved on the back is a gift that she will wear constantly. And if you really want to splurge, a sweater is wonderful. Of course, if you haven't already given her one, a large graduation picture is something she won't want to do without. Many other things such as alarm clocks, etc., would be greatly appreciated.

Now, what can a gal get her best man? What about a scarf and a pair of gloves to match, or maybe he likes cuff links or a tie clasp?

The Resolution Ritual

**In 13 days the New Year comes,
With all its New Year trends—
The resolutions written below
Are called, the odds and ends—**

I, Joan Sisk, resolve never to eat my liver.

I, Sandra Spann, resolve to get it thru peoples heads that my sister and I are not twins.

I, Jackie Andrus, resolve to make the 10 minutes before twelve, Wednesday noons, useful on the way to lunch.

I, Bob Anson, resolve not to score more than 30 points a game or less than zero for the season.

I, Connie, Katrina or Constance Kuizenga resolve not to change my name more than twice in 1952.

I, Gordon Leather, resolve to quit smoking cigars.

I, Skip Miller, resolve as of January 1st to be a model student of our fair institution representing to the best of my ability what is expected of a decent honest, and loyal State Hi students.

I, Janet Shiley, resolve to crack up the Driver Training Car.

I, Joan Peelen, resolve to exchange my 1500 pennies to the bank for dollars, so the people of the U. S. won't feel penniless.

I, Clare Gemrich, resolve, (due to various insults and uncomplimentary remarks), that the students of State High will never again hear my lovely vocal renditions.

I, Sharon Taylor, resolve that when I'm a senior I won't make the above freshman wear their jeans rolled above their knees.

I, Bob Holtz, resolve never to let Dick Forward try to push over big rocks with the side of his car.

I, Peg Yntema, resolve to be a sweet little girl in all my classes, also I resolve to keep Sharon and me out of trouble.

I, Marilyn Kuiper, resolve to change my first name to Shirley just for Mr. Leonardelli.

I, Alan Glendening, resolve to go to the moon by 1983.

I, Carol Rice, resolve to improve my Charleston step.

I, Jon Rood, resolve to catch a flying squirrel.

I, Helen Alman, resolve never to take the top shelf of a locker again.

**Of all the resolutions,
That were handed in to me—
The wisest, trust, simplest ones,
Are here for you to see—**

I, Pete Longjohn, resolve to persevere until I reach my goal as a softball pitcher.

I, Dick Forward, resolve to dissolve any resolutions I may resolve.



**Good grades are of importance,
To each and everyone—
So, why mope around about it,
Go out and get it done—**

I, Howard Hoyt Jr., resolve not to bother Mrs. Rodgers so much in 12:30 English.



I, Nancy Watter worth, resolve to start studying. (Pity Me!)

I, Ed Enz, resolve to get a passing grade in Latin.

I, Dick Bommersbach, resolve to dissolve.

**Some crazy resolutions
Are listed here below—
Please do not believe them.
'Cause their just a lot of blow—**

I, Bonnie Peterson, resolve to go to bed when Sandra comes home from her dates, instead of staying up and hindering her progress.

I, Lyn Cassidy, resolve to try to break the bad habits the Jr. girls have taught me.

I, Chuck Overick, resolve to race Jim Hawkins in the mile if I can find a field big enough.

I, Tamsin Malone, resolve not to take English next year. (page editors note—I got news for you)

I, Dick Tuegh, resolve to terminate my frequent dating practices and will attempt to cut them down to 7 a week.

I, Jim Hawkins, resolve not to drive my "A" over 100 m.p.h.

I, George Reeves, resolve to give up all redheads, providing Kate dyes her hair black.

I, Dale Wilson, resolve not to cry in my beer.

I, "Red" Gemrich, resolve to leave off the women or the bottle.

**Without a doubt
Love finds its way—
Let's see what these folks
Have to say—**

I, Al Howard, resolve to quit mooing when Mr. Jerse comes in the study hall lunch room.

I, Shirely Smith, resolve, under the circumstances to stop flirting with George Reeves.

I, Donna Burlington, resolve to close my ears when Blaine comes home from the turnabouts, so I won't hear what I did last time.

I, Marilyn Greenlee, resolve to give Central boys up, as long as my resistance holds out.

I, John Littig, resolve to be less fickle about women.

I, Charlene Schultz, resolve to try and be good on Saturday nites.

I, Dick Street, resolve not to chase a girl unless she runs.

I, Diane Doubleday, resolve to hate boys.

Santa's Reindeer Replaced by 'Nosey'

As Christmas season rolls around,
It happens without fail
That jolly old Saint Nicholas
Receives a flock of mail.

The post cards, notes, and letters
Are shipped to his address
By that gossip-loving choo-choo
train,
Nosey, the North Pole Express.



Nosey knows that it's not polite
To read these private wishes,
But to learn the latest news gives
him
A feeling quite delicious.

So this year he's agreed to tell—
We hope it isn't shocking!—
What the State High student wants
Saint Nick
To put into his stocking.

Clare wants what Dagmar's got,
That is, a TV show,
And Bev Swoap says she hates to ask,
But could she have more dough?

She needs it for the year book now,
Instead of for the prom,
And until it's safely in her grasp,
She simply can't keep calm!

Carolyn thinks that Western should
have
More at-home ball games.
(Believe that this concerns a man,
But shouldn't mention names.)

Stevie, Jan, and Sandra Hicks
—Now this one really hurts!—
For their ballet dancing compasses
They want some little skirts !!!

And Ruth DeHaan would like to have
Some magnifying glasses
With which to read her slide rule
In Mr. Hackney's classes.

Both Suzie S. and Bobbie G.
Would like an eyelid prop
To use at 8 o'clock each morn
When they're about to drop.

But Suzie also wants a gift
That's meant to be a shocker—
A bag of big, black spiders
For "daring" Dottie's locker.

Mel Pettit only asks St. Nick
To grant him just one right—
To grow his mustache without those
Who tell him it's a fright.

Red Gemrich wrote a note that should
be filed upon the shelf:
"Jon Sebably wants two lap-sized
blondes."
(Red wants one for himself!)

Janet thinks a watch that follows
School time would be fine;
Or, if that's out, she'd take instead
Some pale green slips all signed.



Bill Hoyt declares he wants all A's
To make his Christmas jolly,
While Peggy states that we should
have
A State High-Central trolley. .

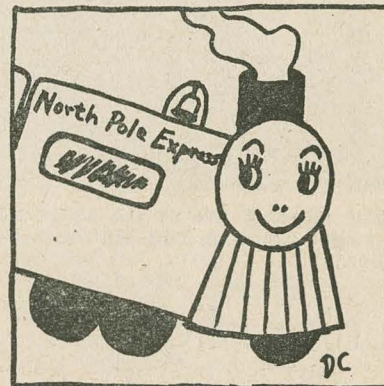
Al Howard needs a brand new back
To replace the one Bruce wrecked,
And Ann Frey asks for three more
spies
To keep her "interests" checked. ..

And Santa dear, Sue Snyder wants
A reference book to scan
On how an automobile runs
So she can please her man.. .

Miss Sandy Buck says all she wants
Is to be paid a visit
From a one-and-only Georgia boy.
(We wonder, now—who is it?)

And please, St. Nick, a jeepster green
For which our Judy's striving;
She also adds that she would like
A certain sophomore driving!

Fritz LaCrone requests just this
When Santa comes a-knocking:
A girl's leg with the girl attached
To fill his Christmas stocking.



Thank you, Nosey North Pole Train!
Your helpful hints and news
Will tell our dear old Santa Claus
What kind of gifts to choose.

We hope he uses all these notes
And brings what we've requested,
For Christmas comes but once a year
And wants must be digested.

So Santa dear, please don't forget
As you are passing by,
To stop your sleigh and reindeer
At the chimney of State High!

